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Applicants:

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For:

Production Of Oxidized Polysaccharide Derivative

And Oxidized Polyglycosamine Derivative

Art Unit:

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Examiner:

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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed May 16, 2003, in connection with the above-identified application as listed below and as set forth on the following pages:

Amendments to the Claims

Remarks are included following the amendments